



STATE REPRESENTATIVE

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## **Rep. Bernier - Bright Outlook for Wisconsin**

*Governor's State of the State Address Strikes a Positive Tone*

**Madison...**State Representative Kathy Bernier (R-Lake Hallie) issued the following statement after Governor Walker's annual State of the State address today in Madison. The address was given to a joint session of the Wisconsin State Legislature on Wednesday afternoon.

*"Governor Walker outlined his priorities, including health care stability, SeniorCare, Welfare Reform and Workforce Training, for the remainder of the legislative session. While setting ambitious goals for the state legislature, he touted dividends achieved through successful reforms, while acknowledging difficult times when he took office.*

*"In 2010 Wisconsin was in the depths of the recession and tough decisions had to be made. Smart policy choices and budgeting have kept Wisconsin strong through lean times and ensured that we stayed open for business. Today, unemployment is at a record low – 3% and our economy is booming. Now we are positioned to lead future economic growth. We've invested record amounts into k-12 education, and workforce development.*

*"When Obamacare eventually implodes, we will take on the failings of a federal-run health care system and provide a better alternative to our citizens. Stabilizing health care costs is a priority. While Congress has dropped the ball on replacing ObamaCare, Governor Walker is moving to ensure pre-existing conditions needs are met.*

*"Wisconsin stands poised to realize more than a half-billion dollar surplus. With that, the Governor unveiled a permanent \$100/per child tax credit. This year, those families will receive a check just before school starts this Fall.*

*The state of our State is strong and thanks to tough choices made in the past our future looks bright."*

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*The 68th Assembly District includes portions of Chippewa, Clark, Eau Claire, Jackson and Trempealeau Counties.*

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